

During the last NYC mayorial election campaigning period I was called numerous times by candidates on both sides of the political fence. I recalled being called six times in one day by one candidate alone. The caller ID showed the calls originated out of state, beyond the powers of the New York state legislature. I remember this occasion because I sometimes work late (4 a.m) and was trying to get some much needed sleep before my next shift began. Had this been a person calling I would have probably have a case for harrasment. Unsolicited phone calls invade the privacy of the public and prevent people like me from enjoying their property in a reasonable manner.

Recently, I have began to receive calls on my cellular phone which has a 718 area code. These calls usually come in during peak hours and use up the daytime minutes on my cellular plan. I do not see why I should be economically disadvantaged to suit the tastes of people who are trying sell products I have no need for or interest in. Even if did want to purchase an item or service, I would prefer to do it at my lesiure and not to be interupted when I am conducting my daily business.

I would like to see an end to ALL non-solicited calls. The loop hole in this law will shift the nature of the nuisance calls from magazine subscriptions to televison advertisements. I can just imagine the flurry of calls that I would receive during "sweeps week". I do not listen to the radio or watch television on a regular basis and I would certainly blacklist stations that annoy me by interrupting my sleep or social life.